

On page 2, line 22, strike "different" the first place it occurs.

On page 2, line 23, strike "as provided" and insert "based on considerations".

On page 3, line 12, strike "carrying oil in bulk as cargo or cargo residue".

On page 3, line 13, after "carried" insert "as cargo".

## NOTICE OF HEARING

### SUBCOMMITTEE ON FORESTS AND PUBLIC LANDS

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Forests and Public Lands to consider four miscellaneous land bills. The first is S. 1371, the Snowbasin land exchange bill, to exchange certain lands in Utah. S. 590, a land exchange for the relief of Matt Clawson, and S. 985, to exchange certain lands in Gilpin County, CO, will also be the subject of the hearing. The last bill to be considered is S. 1196, to transfer certain National Forest System lands adjacent to the Townsite of Cuprum, ID. The subcommittee will not receive testimony on S. 901 and S. 1169 as previously announced.

The hearing will take place Tuesday, November 7, 1995, at 9:30 a.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

Those wishing to testify or who wish to submit written statements should write to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510. For further information, please call Mark Rey at (202) 224-6470.

## AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. GREGG. I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be permitted to meet Thursday, November 2, 1995, beginning at 10 a.m. in room SD-215, to conduct a markup of S. 1318, the Amtrak and Local Rail Revitalization Act of 1995.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent on behalf of the Governmental Affairs Committee to meet on Thursday, November 2, 1995, at 9:30 a.m. for a hearing on S. 704, the Gambling Impact Study Commission Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, November 2, at 10 a.m. to hold a hearing to discuss Medicare and Medicaid fraud.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE WHITEWATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED MATTERS

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the special committee to investigate Whitewater development and related matters be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, November 2, 1995, to conduct a hearing on the handling of the documents in Deputy White House Counsel Vincent Foster's office after his death.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### SUBCOMMITTEE ON FORESTS AND PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, November 2, 1995, for purposes of conducting a subcommittee hearing which is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this oversight hearing is to receive testimony from academicians and State and local officials on alternatives to Federal forest land management. Testimony will also be sought comparing land management cost and benefits on Federal and State lands.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure be granted permission to conduct a hearing Thursday, November 2, at 10 a.m., hearing room SD-406, on courthouse construction and related GSA public buildings program matters.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

### FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS CONFERENCE REPORT

• Mr. McCAIN. Mr. President, during the vote yesterday on an amendment I offered to the Senate amendment to the amendment in disagreement in the foreign operations appropriations conference report, there was some confusion over the administration's position despite the assurances in my statement that the administration supported my amendment. To clarify this issue, I ask that a letter of support from Assistant Secretary of State for Legislative Affairs Wendy Sherman be included in the RECORD.

The letter follows:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
Washington, DC, Nov. 1, 1995.

Hon. JOHN McCAIN,  
Senate.

DEAR SENATOR McCAIN: In response to your inquiry regarding the Department's position on counternarcotics assistance to Burma, I would like to reiterate the comments contained in the Department's September 14 let-

ter to Senators McConnell and Leahy commenting on key provisions in the FY 1996 Foreign Operations Appropriations bill, as reported by the Subcommittee.

In that letter, the Department of State noted that:

"The existing political situation in Burma precludes significant cooperation on drug control, but we need flexibility to decide whether it is in our interest to cooperate in specific, limited cases as they arise. Burma is the world's number one heroin producer and sixty percent of the heroin that comes to the streets of the United States originates in Burma. The Administration must have the opportunity to work against a problem which affects the daily lives of the American people in such a harmful way."

The Department's opposition to legislative restrictions on counternarcotics aid to Burma remains unchanged.

I trust that this information is responsive to your inquiry. The Department of State greatly appreciates your continuing support for our position and we continue to support the substance of your legislative language to facilitate limited and carefully structured counternarcotics cooperation with Burma while at the same time maintaining our policy on human rights and democracy. If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,  
WENDY R. SHERMAN,  
Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs. •

## ARCTIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

• Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I was greatly disappointed by the vote of the Senate last Friday to open the ANWR to oil exploration. This was a tremendous mistake that, if uncorrected, will be a significant blow to the environment.

Mr. President, it is time for government to practice fiscal responsibility. However, we should not destroy the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge [ANWR] in an effort to balance the budget. Our children do not deserve to inherit a huge debt. However, they do deserve to inherit our Nation's abundant wildlife and wilderness in the same or better condition as we did. Cheating our children of this inheritance is not sound fiscal policy.

The attempt to open the ANWR for the exploration of oil is not something new. In fact, a battle has been developing for over 15 years. Congress has voted to protect this area in the past and must continue to fight this battle and preserve the ANWR in the future.

The Budget Committee claims that opening the ANWR for oil exploration may generate \$1.4 billion in leasing revenues during a 4-year period. This sounds like a lot of money and is a lot of money. Yet, this figure represents a mere two-tenths of 1 percent of the budget deficit. Should we sacrifice a unique ecological environment whose value is priceless in order to pay off less than one-half of 1 percent of our total debt? This just does not make sense.

Oil is valuable and can be priced. But how can we price the 150,000-member porcupine caribou herd that migrates